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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 18 December 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 30-37 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 30-37 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☒ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Status of Claims

Claims 1-39 have been presented for examination in this application. The preliminary amendment on 12/18/03 canceled claims 1-29, adding claims 30-37, amending abstract and specification. As a result, claims 30-37 are now pending in this application.

Claims 30-37 are rejected.

Acknowledgment is made of applicant's claim for foreign priority based on an application filed in France 87.18103 12/14/1987. It is noted, however, that applicant has not filed a certified copy of the 87.18103 application as required by 35 U.S.C. 119(b).

Claim Objections

Claims 30,34 are objected to because of the following informalities:

As for claims 30,34 the word --activ-- should be corrected.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

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(a) the invention was known or used by other's in this country or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

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(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

Claims 30-37 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102 (e) as being anticipated by Winsor (US 4924415).

As for claim 30, Winsor describes a memory component comprising:
a random access memory array having a plurality of storage locations (column 9 lines 21-45, dram), a timing input for receiving a timing signal which when active toggles between first and second states at a periodic rate (Fig 4, CLK, column 9 lines 15-22); and circuitry, coupled to the timing input and to the random access memory array, for transferring data to the memory component in synchronism with the timing signal and for transferring the data to the random access memory array (Fig 4 column 9 lines 21-45).

As for claim 31, Winsor describes wherein the random access memory array is a dynamic random access memory array (column 9 lines 21-45, dram).

As for claim 32, Winsor describes wherein said circuitry includes a shift register (column 9 lines 60-65).

As for claim 33, Winsor describes wherein said circuitry includes a multiplexer (column 8 lines 64-68).

As for claim 34, Winsor describes a memory component comprising:
a random access memory array having a plurality of storage locations; a timing input for receiving a timing signal which when activated toggles between first and second states at a periodic rate; and circuitry, coupled to the timing input and to the random access memory array (Fig 4, CLK, column 9 lines 15-22), for receiving data from the random access memory array and for transferring the data from the memory component in synchronism with the timing signal (column 9 lines 21-45, column 8 lines 1-23).

Claim 35 rejected based on the same rationale as in the rejection of claim 31.

Claim 36 rejected based on the same rationale as in the rejection of claim 32.

Claim 37 rejected based on the same rationale as in the rejection of claim 33.

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

When responding to the office action, Applicant is advised to provide the examiner with the line numbers and page numbers in the application and/or references cited to assist examiner to locate the appropriate paragraphs.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Duc T. Doan whose telephone number is 571-272-4171. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:00 AM 05:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mano Padmanabhan can be reached on 571-272-4210. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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